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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: TROPICAL PRODUCTS NEGOTIATIONS

REF: STATE 141388

1. DRAWING ON REFTEL, ECON COUNSELOR DISCUSSED US POSITION ON TP NEGOTIATIONS WITH MINISTRY TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MTI), DEPUTY SECRETARY GNERAL (TRADE) VICTOR DEBRUYNE ON JULY 13. DEBRUYNE SAID THAT HE HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY REPORT ON TP CONTRIBUTIONS QUESTION FROM MALAYSIAN DEL GENEVA. HE EXPRESSED PERSONAL VIEW THAT CONTRIBUTION BY MALAYSIA FOR MFN CUTS BY U.S. IN TP SECTOR IS APPROPRIATE, BUT SAID HE WOULD QUERY YEE CHEE FONG, FORMERLY HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE SECTION, MTI AND NOW (AS OF JUNE 29) HEAD MALAYSIAN DEL GENEVA, ON THIS MATTER.

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2. WITHIN GOM, MINISTRY PRIMARY INDUSTRIES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR

TP REQUESTS, TREASURY (TARIFF SECTION) AND MTI RESPONSIBLE
FOR CONTRIBUTOONS. COMMITTEE ON FORIEGN TRADE AND INDUSTRY
IN PM'S OFFICE, ON WHICH MTI, TREASURY, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES
AND ECONOMIC PLANNING UNIT REPRESENTED, MAKES RECOMMENDATIONS
THIS SUBJECT FOR CABINET DECISION.

3. COMMENT: WE WILL PURSUE FURTHER WITH DE BRUYNE AND OTHERS
AT LATER DATE. SUGGEST EARLY MTN GENEVA DISCUSSIONS WITH
YEE CHEE FONG AS HIS RECOMMENDATIONS WILL HAVE STRONG INFLUENCE
ON DECISIONS HERE.

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